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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2001, please amend the above referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 21 as follows:

(Amended) A method of administering folic acid to a subject for whom an oral contraceptive is indicated for preventing pregnancy, which comprises administering to the subject a pharmaceutical composition, wherein